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CLAIMS BE ONE OF EX-GRAND MUFTI JERUSALEM'S OLDEST AND  
MOST TRUSTED LIEUTENANTS. GHURY ALSO IS MEMBER ARAB HIGHER  
COMMITTEE FOR PALESTINE.

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SOURCE JERUSALEM BUSINESSMAN (C) FROM LONGTIME INTIMATE ASSOCIATE EX-GRAND MUFTI OF JERUSALEM.

1. ON 24 NOVEMBER ONE OF HAJJ AMIN HUSAYNI'S MOST INTIMATE ASSOCIATES HAD CHANCE MEETING WITH OLD FRIEND AND PROMINENT JERUSALEM BUSINESSMAN IN BEIRUT. FOLLOWING EXCHANGE PLEASANTRIES FORMER URGENTLY PRESSED FOR PRIVATE MEETING THAT EVENING. MEETING WAS HELD AT (PORTION GOLD-SEEDING SCUM) 24 NOVEMBER IN NORMANDY HOTEL ROOM.

2. AT MEETING HUSAYNI LIEUTENANT OBLIQUELY STATED THAT HE HAD SEEN HUSAYNI DURING INTERVAL BETWEEN MEETINGS AND THAT HE COULD SAY HE SPEAKING FOR HUSAYNI AS WELL AS HIMSELF IN EXPRESSION OF ALL VIEWS THAT FOLLOWED.

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<p>3. (PORTION GELD) <del>UAR</del> PRESIDENT GAMAL ABD-AL NASIR SPOKEN OF AS "IRRECONCILABLE MISUNDERSTANDING". HUSAYNI HAS STRONGLY RESENTED NASIR'S "SELF PROCLAIMED" STATUS AS SOLE SPOKESMAN FOR PALESTINIAN REFUGEES AND FEELS EVEN MORE STRONGLY THAT NASIR HAS PERSONALLY INSULTED HIM BY NOT BOTHERING TO CONSULT HIM BEFORE MAKING PRONOUNCEMENTS CONCERNING PALESTINE PROBLEM. HUSAYNI'S FEELINGS NOW SO BITTER ABOUT NASIR THAT UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES WILL HE EVER RETURN CAIRO FOR SO LONG AS NASIR THERE. (SOURCE COMMENT. HUSAYNI COULD NOT ENTER UAR IF HE WANTED TO, FOR HE BLACK LISTED THERE AS WELL AS IN JORDAN.</p> <p>4. HUSAYNI LIEUTENANT THEN STATED THAT HE TRUSTED THAT WHAT HE ABOUT TO SAY WOULD BE HELD IN STRICTEST SECRECY. HE THEN ASKED THAT ORAL MESSAGE BE GIVEN KING HUSAYN AS SOON AS POSSIBLE STATING THAT (PORTION GELD) PALESTINIANS WITH HIM IN EXILE NOW. (PORTION GELD) TO BE HONEST AND WISE RULER WHO SINCERELY INTERESTED IN RESOLVING PALESTINE QUESTION WITHOUT BUCKLING UNDER "ZIONIST PRESSURES" FROM WITHIN AND WITHOUT ISRAEL. CONVERSELY, NASIR HAS NOW SHOWN HIMSELF TO BE "SOFTENING" IN HIS VIEWS ABOUT SETTLING THE PALESTINE PROBLEM. IN FACT, NASIR EXPECTED TO SOFTEN STILL FURTHER AS HE CONTINUES TO GET ADDITIONAL U.S. MONEY TO HELP DEVELOP EGYPT. MESSAGE FOR KING WAS CONCLUDED WITH STRONG PLEA THAT KING ALLOW RETURN TO JERUSALEM OF HUSAYNI AND THOSE WHO</p>			
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<p>WISH TO RETURN WITH HIM. IF ALLOWED RETURN (PORTION GELD)</p> <p>EXERT ALL OF OUR ENERGY TO BE COOPERATIVE WITH YOU TO THE FULLEST</p> <p>IN TRYING ASSURE A RESOLUTION OF THE PALESTINE PROBLEM WHICH WILL</p> <p>BENEFIT JORDAN AND THE ARABS. WE WANT TO (PORTION GELD) CITY".</p> <p>HUSAYNI LIEUTENANT SAID THAT HUSAYNI MIGHT NOT BE WILLING RETURN</p> <p>IMMEDIATELY IF PERMITTED, BUT THAT ULTIMATELY <del>NECESSARY</del> WOULD IF</p> <p>ALLOWED.</p> <p>5. IN PARENTHETICAL ASIDE HUSAYNI LIEUTENANTS SAID THAT ONLY</p> <p>ARAB GOVERNMENT NOW CONTRIBUTING FINANCIALLY TO THEIR SUPPORT IN</p> <p>LEBANON WAS GOVT OF SAUDI ARABIA. HOWEVER THESE PAYMENTS HAVE NOW</p> <p>REDUCED TO LITTLE MORE THAN TRICKLES WHICH, WHEN ADDED TO SMALL AMOUNT</p> <p>CONTRIBUTED BY CERTAIN PALESTINIAN REFUGEES IN SYMPATHY WITH EX-</p> <p>GRAND MUFTI, HARD SUFFICE AT TIMES TO PROVIDE ADEQUATE FOOD FOR</p> <p>EX-GRAND MUFTI AND HIS ASSOCIATES IN EXILE.</p> <p>6. SOURCE COMMENT. THIS CLEARLY A FEELER BID BY EX-GRAND</p> <p>MUFTI. SIGNIFICANTLY HE HAS NOT OFFERED REFRAIN FROM POLITICAL</p> <p>ACTIVITY IF HE ALLOWED RETURN TO JORDAN. ALTHOUGH MESSAGE WILL BE</p> <p>PASSED TO KING ON HIS RETURN JORDAN IN EARLY JANUARY REQUEST WILL</p> <p>ALMOST CERTAINLY BE UNACCEPTABLE TO KING ON GROUNDS JORDAN HAS</p> <p>EVERYTHING TO LOSE, NOTHING TO GAIN BY ALLOWING RETURN OF EX-GRAND</p>			
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